FISCAL NOTE

SB 3157 - HB 3184

March 13, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates the offense of cruelty to non-livestock animals; defines *non-livestock* and applies current cruelty laws to livestock only; makes cruelty to non-livestock animals a Class A misdemeanor; allows law enforcement officers to confiscate vehicles used to transport animals who are suspected of being mistreated.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Impact depends upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resulting increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenues to local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill.

Estimate also assumes an increase in expenditures and revenues to local governments to the extent that vehicles are confiscated, stored, and sold. Such increases are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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